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First Aid Training Class Will Be Held Sunday Afternoon

Being Given For Benefit Of Those Who Cannot Attend At Night

Roy Alsapug, director of Red Cross, training in this area, announces a ten hour first aid class to be held in two sessions for the benefit of Civilian Defense workers.

The first class will open at one p. m. Sunday afternoon, March 8 at the High School Gym and will continue with five minute rest periods till the course is completed.

The second class will be given the following Sunday, March 15th at the same time and place.

W. C. Lord, commander of Citizens Defense Corps, who will be in charge of the sessions, says the course is designed to interest themselves in civilian defense must take at least the ten hour course, as this is the minimum requirements for every one.

The state organization, in its statement, says all Civilian Defense workers were the proper insignia, but also demand that the prescribed courses in first aid, gases, bombs, general instruction and drill be completed before they are issued," says commandant Lord.

He continues, "If we are going to do this job, let's do it right. These instructions we receive from higher ups seem to have a definite purpose in mind and are well thought out."

The sooner the course is taken the 15 year old boys and girls up decide that this is an "all out" war and put aside those things which seem important to cooperate in this defense movement, the sooner this war will be won. Find your niche and get into it."

"This comes," Roy Alsapug says, "but before it is too late for the benefit of those who cannot afford to take five nights away from other things, and due to the importance of Belle Glade getting its Defense workers properly qualified at the first moment."

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First Aid Class

Mrs. Ila Mae Ogle who recently qualified as a First Aid instructor has started a class in the Standard Course of 16 hours. Meetings are held every evening from Monday to Friday night. Enrollment will be made until Friday night, after which the class will be closed.

Those now registered are Mrs. Nannie Parish, Rach Parrish, Mrs. George Scott, Mrs. George, Clyde Crosby, Mrs. Marie Thompson, Mrs. Louise Tidwell, Mrs. Edna Thomas, Fred Ogle, Francis Russell, Mrs. Jo Giddens, Miss Louise Lowery, Mrs. Irene Johnston, Emmet Kelsey, Mrs. Arnes Mathis and James McMillen.

Courses & Hours Necessary For Qualification Given

Captain Bob Cameron, Military Instructor for Civilian Defense Schools reports that he is finding talent in most unexpected places for use as assistants. Close order drill, as taught in our present day army is just as new to all ex-service men of the last war as to the youngest messenger from the control center, visions.

First Aid

Gas Defense

General Drill

Military Drill

Staff Corps

Driver Corps

Messengers

Rescue Squads

Aux. Police

Bomb Squads

Air Raid Wards

Aux. Firemen

Fire Watchers

Demolition and Clearance Crews

Road Repair

Decontamination Squads

Emergency Food and House Corps

Medical Corps

Nurses Aid Corps

90 hours special Red Cross

Carpe diem to be innumerable as a body.

Captain Cameron's classes will be dove tailed among the general schooling setup.

ATHLETIC COUNCIL DIRECTORS ELECTED FOR ANOTHER TERM

The South Shore Athletic Council held its regular meeting Tuesday night in the town hall. All members of the board were present.

Members of the board of directors are Arthur Wells and James A. Hall, Jr. of Belle Glade; J. W. Lyons of Belle Glade; C. A. Thomas, Lake Harbor; Pat Burke and J. R. Cheron, Chosen and W. C. Allen, South.

The organization was formed last fall for the promotion of athletics at the new Belle Glade high school and contributions from the public has made possible the purchase of equipment for the various sports.

So far the football and basketball teams have done very well considering it is the first year of operation. Baseball is not far away and the squad is expected to give the other schools in this section a run for their money.

In addition to the election, plans were discussed for getting lights for the football field so games can be held at night. The bleachers for the fans were also discussed but no definite arrangement was made.

Present officers of the council are: J. O. Darden, president; Erwin Johnwick, vice president; L. W. Bartlett, secretary; and W. P. Risk, treasurer.

Refrigerator Cars May Be Curtailed

Record demands on the nation's refrigerator car supply have necessitated the immediate return of refrigerated box cars for the transportation of citrus fruits by Florida railroads

Waren K. Kendall, chairman of the Car Service Division of the Association of American Railroads, has announced.

The increased need for refrigerator cars, Mr. Kendall said, has been brought about by heavier movements of perishables and canned goods for the fighting forces, and by diversion of men to coastwise shipping.

He said that shippers will be asked to accept ventilation can only in those cases where the destination areas will not subject the shipments to freezing. Moreover, he added, this arrangement will end as soon as conditions permit.

Sugar Co. Breaks Record By Grinding 6,826 Tons

Clewiston, March 7 (FNS)—Working at top speed, 556 United States Sugar Company employees broke a world's record by grinding 6,826 tons of cane sugar in 24 hours, officials announced yesterday.

The tonnage was 1,380 over the 24 hour average as the workers nearly reached their voluntary goal of 7,000 tons.

The extra effort was put in an effort to help alleviate the nation's sugar shortage. Molasses goes for alcohol used in munitions manufacture.

B. Glade Commerce Men Re-elect J. F. Scullen President

Held In Highest Esteem, He Is Given Office Despite Absence

At a general meeting, Monday night, the Belle Glade Chamber of Commerce unanimously re-elected James F. Scullen president and W. M. Jeffries secretary and treasurer for the ensuing year.

Other officers elected were Lawrence Will, Mr. E. Kirshman, Joe Gold and James H. Harris. Mr. Will and Mr. Kirshman were reelected from the last time and Mr. Gold and Mr. Harris are new officers elected for the first time. All of them are directors and will serve for a period of one year.

Mr. Scullen has been president of the Chamber of Commerce since its organization in 1933, and is at the present time in the Everglades Memorial Hospital at Pahokee improving from a recent illness. He came to Belle Glade from Miami in 1925 just before the storm and is a member and supervisor of the South Florida Conservation District.

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Draft Drawing To Be Held March 17

Women's Club Accepts Three New Members

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Newly Elected Chamber of Commerce President

Crops Seriously Damaged Here By Frost And Water

Thermometer Dropped to 29 Degrees in Several Fields Tuesday

The lowest temperature of the season was reached early Tuesday morning when thermometers dropped to 29 degrees at the ground in several fields. Farmers who had congratulated themselves on having crops enough to withstand the freezing frost without damage to their crops woke up Tuesday to find that they had celebrated too soon, for about 90 per cent of everything that was above the ground was killed. The frost in several fields north of the town end of the Lake section, and the second, destroyed all tender vegetables in the south end.

Over eight thousand acres of early spring vegetables were in various stages of maturity, ranging from young seedlings just above the ground to those being harvested. Leaf crops that stand considerable cold, such as celery, cabbage, escarole and lettuce were not seriously affected. Farmers on Krebs Island reported that their crops were not affected by the freezing weather. The men of PWA were sent to the area to help the farmers get rid of the damage. The frost, however, was continuous until high tide has come, causing a great deal of water damage where the frost was not injurious.

Growers who lost heavily on their crops will be compensated to some degree by good prices being paid for their other vegetables.

Celery is now bringing two to three dollars per crate, according to quality and grade, and the market has doubled the price of cabbage to 5¢ per crate. The top prices recorded in this section for beans during the past few years was paid Fred Hickerson this week when he received \$6.60 per hamper for 441 hamper.

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Mass Meeting Held To Hear Plans For Larger City Water System

History Shows Present Plant Has Never Been Large Enough

Will Extend Lines to the Lake, Enlarge Plant Cost \$150,000

A mass meeting of the citizens of Belle Glade was held last night in the town hall to hear a report on the condition of the water system, to formulate plans to enlarge the present plant and to extend the lines to the lake so that better water may be acquired.

Proposed plans will cost about \$150,000 and will include a 14 inch line to the lake, two intake pipes with pumps to operate them, enlarging the present capacity of the plant and extending the lines to the north and south parts of the town. The intake will be situated one-half mile above the bridge in the dyke channel and according to Dr. A. P. Black, consulting engineer, University of Florida, the water in the canal will be increased to 14 inches.

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The 'Can't Happen Here' Attitude

The most serious menace to the safety of the lives of men, women and children—perhaps, even to our title to this land and our continued freedom—is not Hitler's army, Hirohito's dive bombers or Mussolini's submarines. It is not the strikers or even the saboteurs, espionage agents and propagandists. It is the "can't happen here" attitude of a lot of good loyal Americans who have relapsed into the pre-Pearl Harbor dreamland of indifference, optimism and wishful thinking.

We can handle Hitler, Hirohito and Mussolini in good time and after a lot of preliminary grief and sacrifice, if we have consecrated, tireless work and study by a hundred million odd persons old enough to do something now to prevent catastrophe later.

But we could lose this war. May we repeat that statement for emphasis: We COULD lose this war.

We dislike to repeat it but we have heard it said that what this country needs is a good five-hour bombing. But that is meant that unless something happens every few weeks to scare the people, they lose interest and drop back into a preparedness slump. It is a terrible indictment but evidence can be assembled to support it—in certain places and in respect to a no small number of persons.

Why is it necessary for Defense Council officials to keep appealing to men to volunteer for the Citizens Defense Corps in Belle Glade? A great many good men and women are working hard training to save your life and your property. What is the matter that the ranks are not filled up, with a waiting list? Without referring to any censorable details, haven't your eyes and ears told you that the army doesn't have the "can't happen here" attitude? Army officers are not hysterical incompetents preparing for an eventuality that you can afford to ignore.

And remember this: The army is preparing, for just one job, to fight the enemy. It is making no preparations whatever to put out fires in your house, rescue your children from fallen timber, stop arterial bleeding or affix a traction splint to a compound fracture for your wife, decontaminate your garage from gas, open up water and electric lines to your home, clear the debris from your street, halt dangerous traffic, put out lights that signal enemy planes. That part of the war is your job—that and fighting the bill.

And if you are not pulling your oar—you are falling down on your war job. If you ever say, "I do not think that the risk here is so great as to justify . . ." you are setting yourself up a neat little "Pearl Harbor" post mortem all your own.

Wake Up, Americans

The United States has never lost a war. Most Americans think the United States cannot lose a war. They doubt whether Great Britain can lose a war if losing it would be embarrassing to the United States. They think that Russia's magnificent showing against Hitler is due to our need for a Russian front while we get ready to fight, and will continue as long as we need it. They think that Japan will be halted automatically just before she conquers Australia. They think that South America never will be invaded from Europe or Asia because, being in the half of the world with ourselves, it enjoys a minor share of the protection of Providence.

In short, we, as a nation, have a supernatural faith in American destiny, forgetting only that "God helps those who help themselves." There have been people like ourselves in the world before. Cro-Magnon man, as anyone can tell by looking at his high-browed skull, thought that way about the brutal Neanderthalians. The Cro-Magnons perished. The Greeks, for a thousand years, thought only Greeks could whip them—until the swarthy Macedonians did. Victorious Rome, protected by both pagan and Christian gods, could never be overrun by plundering Goths and Vandals, the barbarian hordes descended and trampled an empire into the dust.

It is a misfortune that the United States never lost a war until we came to this one which we dare not lose. Had living Americans ever tasted defeated, or had the sobering tale of national humiliation formed a part of their education, we would know that victory is not won by holding up two fingers or shouting "slap the Jap" into a microphone. The American people have a will to victory and a mental image of the size of the task. But they visualize that task in terms of the stupendous finished product, not of the hours of labor required to produce it, not of the sacrifice required to mobilize the hours of labor, not of the desperate speed demanded to make it come in time.

We see, in our mind's eye, factories pouring out planes and tanks and guns, troop trains rolling westward, laden transports moving out of harbor, long lines of bombers traveling between sea and sky. And we lean back, as we see this glowing picture, into the comforts of everyday living. We reach for a third lump of sugar. We hope that the new taxes will hit the other fellow. We wonder whether Russia will let us down by halting her armies at the German frontier.

The American people must open their eyes to the task before them. They must throw off their deadly, fatalistic complacency. They must move forward, not in silly, cowardly hysteria which passes for patriotic vigor, but to the stern knowledge that we can win this war only by realizing that it can be lost. The sacrifice we have been talking about must become

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swift, hard reality—sacrifices which assemble the wealth and savings of the rich, the resources of the masses, the brain and brawn of the worker, the comforts of the home—all fused into one solid instrument of war and victory.

We cannot win the war next year if we lose it this year.

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Facts

By DICK MCPHEE

Due to business, as usual we are reprinting part of an article that appeared in this column recently. Possibly you will think it is very appropriate due to the climatic conditions that has existed for the last several weeks.

Well sir, Thomas Riley Marshell once said what this country needed was a good five-hour bombing. But he might have tried farming in South Fla. for a spell and I believe he would have changed his opinion to saying we need a hard seed that could stand up to water hyacinths to keep them from drowning out the beans to where they wouldn't freeze so easily. Let the farmers be a post graduate of Chattahoochee, and let the seed and fertilizer man have what a Iowa farmer died with the other day, two hearts instead of one.

V The seed stores don't believe in the lease and lend bill if you don't believe it just ask them for a couple of bags of beans on the east, and the boys will give them to you. But he might have tried farming in South Fla. for a spell and I believe he would have changed his opinion to saying we need a hard seed that could stand up to water hyacinths to keep them from drowning out the beans to where they wouldn't freeze so easily. Let the farmers be a post graduate of Chattahoochee, and let the seed and fertilizer man have what a Iowa farmer died with the other day, two hearts instead of one.

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V Down Lake Harbor way a fellow was telling his beans had turned out to be the "dormant kind" for wind had blown them around upon all points of the compass so much lately until they have worn a hole out in the ground around the roots the shape of a large doobie hole.

A game warden got after a fisherman for killing a duck out of season out on the lake when it was so windy the other day. The fisherman said "Why officer I didn't mean to kill the duck. I was shooting at the shore and the wind blew the shot and that way and hit the duck." In fact, it was so windy and rough that day until you couldn't hold a buck shot in a two inch auger hole.

V Shucks, that's all right you go on and get your split rest, I'll finish walking the floor until daylight.

V This is not an unusual season we're having for Mark Twain and so far as I can see to do something about the weather evidently he must have run into a flood and a couple of freecounts, in fact, it's about made the kind of farmer out of me that eats what you can and cans what you can't.

V But this is not the only year that we have had so much rain for back in Noah's time they tell of a tale where Noah was drifting along above the tree tops telling come swimming along below of the Ark that he lets up on Noah and takes him aboard. Noah hollers down and tells the swimmer "I'm sorry I have my quota." Apparently the swimmer must have been a South Fla. bean farmer for he lets up on Noah and takes him aboard to the devils in your old Ark she ain't gonna be nuttin' but a shower now.

V There comes a tale off the east coast where a armer owed the fertilizer company \$40,000. A California man settled over the field one night and left about a foot of water in the field. The court take such other action as

the Act mentioned, as is necessary to fully effect such composition. That the proceeding for the District Court to have a hearing on its decree as set forth thereon, and to have a hearing duly entered in this cause, a hearing to be had before the Judge of the Court in the city of Miami, State of Florida, on the 15th day of October a. m. or as soon thereafter as may be held for the purpose of considering the plan of composition referred to in the petition, as may be necessary to effect such composition and the availability of the plan of confirmation.

The plan of confirmation, made by the holders of all outstanding claims in the District, as it will, if not otherwise agreed, be the plan of composition as of April 1942. All creditors may be heard at the hearing on the plan of composition and required to file proof of their claims with the Clerk of the Court before the date of hearing, other than those consenting in writing to the plan of composition to be filed with the Clerk of the Court on or before the date of confirmation of the plan of composition.

Each creditor may file a bond together with each bond of all other creditors showing his title to the debt.

All debts will be paid in bankruptcy proceedings.

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